## **RCI Ranger Front Skid Plate Installation**

- 1. Lift front of vehicle with jacks and safely secure it, if extra working space is desired.
- \* Do not use front cross-member as a jacking point as this will interfere with the skid plate during installation.
- 2. Locate four mounting holes on bottom of truck frame, prior to lifting skid plate into position. Holes located directly beside radiator on both sides and spaced approx. 2-3/8" apart. These should be factory drilled and tapped in the size of hardware provided, however it is possible that all or some holes may need to be re-tapped. Thread forming bolts provided for this reason, no additional tools are necessary.
- \*Some vehicles may have plastic radiator guard that mounts to truck via these holes and will need to be removed; however bolts may be reused for installation of skid plate if desired.
- 3. Using a second person, lift plate into position with wide end toward front of the vehicle and start one bolt on either side so skid plate is self-supported. Do not fully tighten bolts until all four are threaded because plate may need room to move to align flange holes with frame holes.
- 4. Once all four bolts are aligned and started, tighten bolts with a 13mm socket. Do not over tighten bolts to avoid stripping the threads on the frame.
- 5. Relax knowing your front end and radiator are safe!
  \* We recommend applying thread lock to bolts for extra security and support as well as self-tapping metal screws in the corners where plate contacts front cross-member.

## **Enjoy the new protection!!!**

## **Included Hardware**

A. M8 Metric Sems Bolt 4 ea.



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